Seattle Commission for People with disAbilities

Minutes - Thursday, November 15, 2012

Commissioners Present Mark Adreon, Patricia Copeland, Steve Ferreira, Vickie Foster, Laura Gramer, Jonathan Porter, Deborah Witmer

Commissioners Absent Mike Barta, Joshua Caple

Commissioners by Phone Hope Drummond, Grace Oludiji

Guests Tim Shockley, Robert Canamar, Ryan

Troyer (by telephone)

SOCR Staff Present Felicia Yearwood

Call to Order 4:30 by L. Gramer and J. Porter

Approval of Minutes October 2012 approved as read

Committee Reports

Executive Deborah Witmer met with the Department of Justice settlement Monitor, Merrick Bobb. Deborah reports that Bobb, an individual with a mobility impairment, takes community involvement seriously.

Public Safety Next meeting January 23rd 2013, 6:00 p.m. at Charlie's Bar and Grill, 217 Broadway

Outreach Sounders Goalball event was well attended, filmed by the Seattle Channel

MOTION: to co-sponsor with LEAP and Vision Loss Connections "In Touch with Art," an open house and exhibit of art created by visually impaired artists.

ACTION: PASSED

MOTION: to hold three Commission meetings at various locations around the City rather than four. **ACTION: PASSED**

Issues Next meeting: December 14, noon, at SOCR, 810 Third Avenue #750; phone conferencing available

Nominating Jonathan will develop a timeline for next steps. Commissioners are encouraged to recruit additional applicants.

Bylaws Changes: All proposed changes adopted – see attached

2013 Work Plan: send additions or corrections to Felicia

New Business

Human Rights Day, Thursday, December 13th 6:00 – 6:30 reception; 6:30 - 8:00 program.

MOTION: To contribute \$250. ACTION: PASSED

MOTION: to honor the Office of Emergency

Management. ACTION: PASSED

Phinney Neighborhood Association would like to plan a discussion about disability issues at its Cultural Engagement Workgroup in February. Laura Gramer, Vickie Foster, and Robert Canamar will follow up.

MOTION: to host an SPD 20/20 plan community conversation focused on disability issues. **ACTION: PASSED**

NEXT MEETING – JANUARY 17, 2013 - NO MEETING IN DECEMBER